



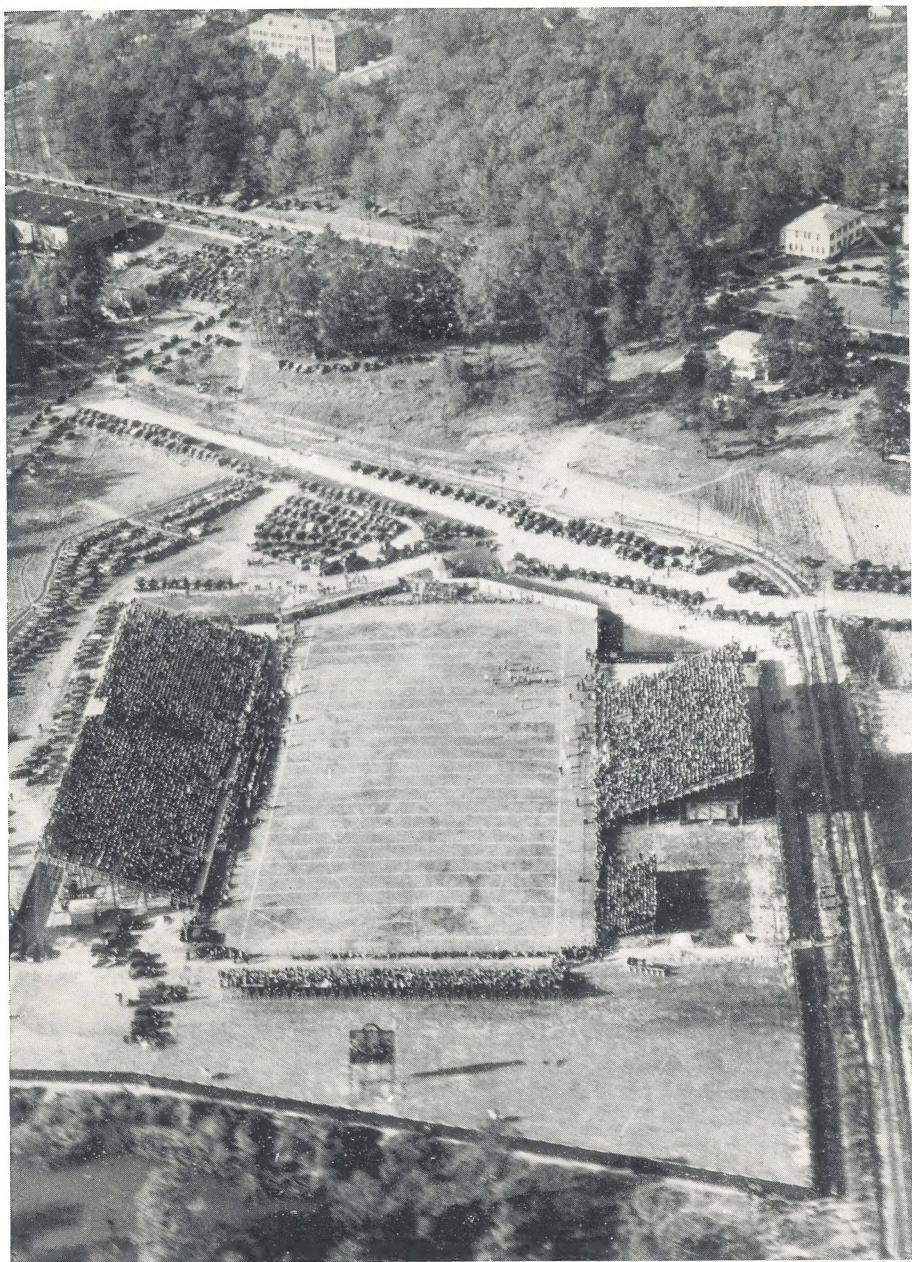
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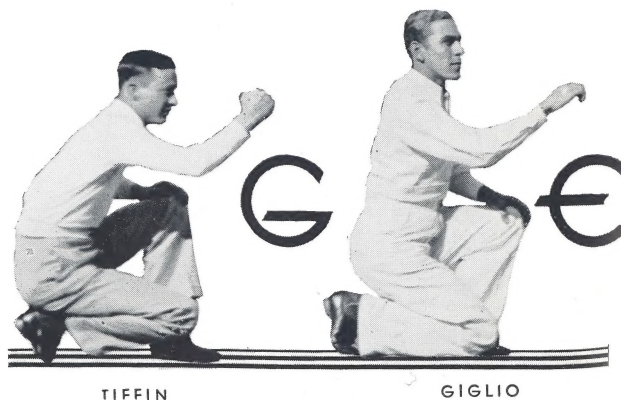
The greatest year in the history of athletics at Centenary College was completed with the ending of the 1933-34 season. Under the expert tutelage of varsity coaches Norton and Parker and freshman coaches Murff and Alums, the representatives of the Maroon and White have made for themselves and the college a record which will go down in the annals of athletics at Centenary.

Football first assumed the spotlight with another undefeated season, twelve games and no defeats, making the string of undefeated games run to twenty-one in two consecutive seasons.

Geisler was the unanimous choice of all major authorities for all-American and was given first place by all except one. Smith and Oslin also won all-American honorable mention and national recognition. This was made possible by the excellent support of a great team.

The Gents again went through a successful basketball season, winning ten conference games and losing none. They were disqualified from defending their championship due to the ruling of ineligibility of a player.

Coach Homer H. Norton, who has given Centenary a grid team that any school would be proud of, has won national recognition for Centenary and Shreveport.



CS AT TENARY

"Coach" has been with Centenary College fourteen years, eight years as head coach. The secret of his success has been the loyalty he has created in the players. He has also endeared himself, not only to every student of the college, but to the town as a whole. It is with regret that we see him go to Texas A. and M. next year, where he has signed as head coach.

Coach Curtis Parker, basketball coach, assistant football coach and head coach-elect, has been with Centenary since 1926. Coach Parker has also served as football scout in the past and has been indispensable in picking weaknesses of opposing teams. His ability as a scout and as a line coach has been a big factor in the success of Centenary football teams. "Coach" has also turned out championship-calibre basketball teams for the past two seasons, winning ten conference games this season and losing none.

We welcome Coach Parker as head coach at Centenary, to which post he has been named with the unanimous approval and good will of all concerned.



CURTIS PARKER
Head Coach-elect



CENTENARY'S UND



COACHES RENFRO AND PARKER

The greatest group of Gentlemen in the history of Centenary in spirit as well as record, closed the 1933 season, having played twelve games without any defeats, continuing the brilliant showing of 1932.

Injuries and malaria riddled the Gents roster, respecting neither regular nor reserve, but the morale never wavered.

Coach Homer Norton deserves due credit for his excellent work in producing one of the greatest teams of the nation, from the remainder of the 1932 squad, and for rebuilding his team so expertly whenever adversities lay in his path.

Coach Curtis Parker, whose worth as a football coach is a proved and undoubted fact, has taken over the coaching reins as head coach for Centenary beginning with the 1934 season. Coming directly from Arkansas University, where he was an outstanding athlete in all lines of sport, he has eight years of coaching experience with the Gentlemen. Parker was the second man in Arkansas University to letter in three major sports, the first being Renfro, present assistant coach for the Gents. Parker, besides being a coach of unlimited football knowledge, is a marked basketball coach, having turned out an outstanding cage team every year.



DEFEATED GENTS

• 1933

In selecting the assistant coach for future gridiron campaigns, Coach Parker has chosen E. T. Renfro, an outstanding athlete from Arkansas University and a successful coach from Jonesboro A. and M., now Arkansas State College. Parker and Renfro are old friends of college days at Arkansas University, where both made outstanding records in athletics. Renfro was chosen as the most brilliant field general in the Southwestern Conference and gained national recognition during his career at the Razorback school. The impressions of Renfro with Centenary, and Centenary's impressions of Renfro have been more than favorable and the combination of Parker and Renfro is expected to not only continue Centenary's creditable record in athletics, but to uphold the morale in athletics at the college.

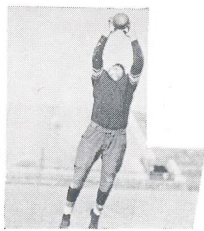
With such spirit as the Gentlemen of Centenary exhibited this year, and with a head coach such as Curtis Parker at the helm, the Gentlemen are destined to reach greater heights of athletic excellence in the field of big-time competition scheduled for the future.

E. I. "Grits" Davis, business manager of athletics at Centenary during the past season, has shown himself to be a capable and conscientious member of the athletic department. "Grits" has endeared himself to the college, as he had already done with the city of Shreveport as a business man. Always interested in athletics, since the days when he performed, he has taken a decided interest and pride in the honors won by the Gentlemen. He has been on the job at all times.



E. I. "GRITS" DAVIS
Business Manager





Paul Geisler, Centenary's brilliant gridiron "Hoss," won the honor of being placed on the leading All-American teams for 1933. . . . With a truly great ability in diagnosing opponents played, a constant threat as a pass receiver and a bulwark on defense, Geisler ranks among the greatest ends in gridiron history. Geisler made all of the major All-American first teams except Colliers, which placed him on the second team.

F R O C A

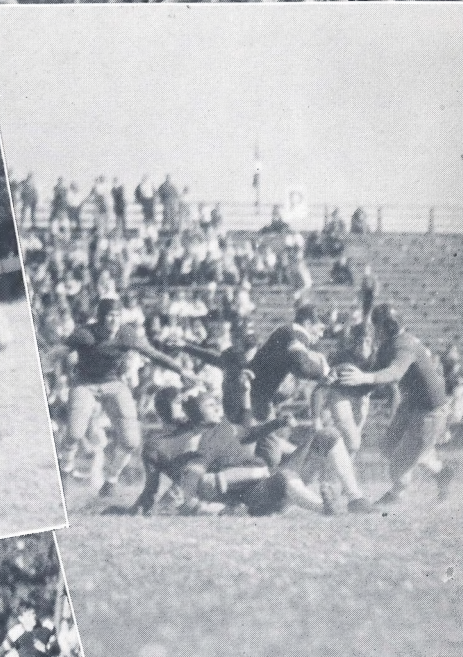


Harold "Shorty" Oslin, the diminutive halfback, scored in eight games, and was the high scorer for the season. His speed, change of pace, and uncanny ability as a broken field runner, in addition to an invincible spirit, makes Oslin a man possessing all the qualities necessary for selection on any All-American team.

Manning Smith, stellar quarterback for three seasons, won national recognition and All-American honorable mention by his brilliant field generalship. Smith called the plays, did the punting, passing, and was a constant ground gainer.

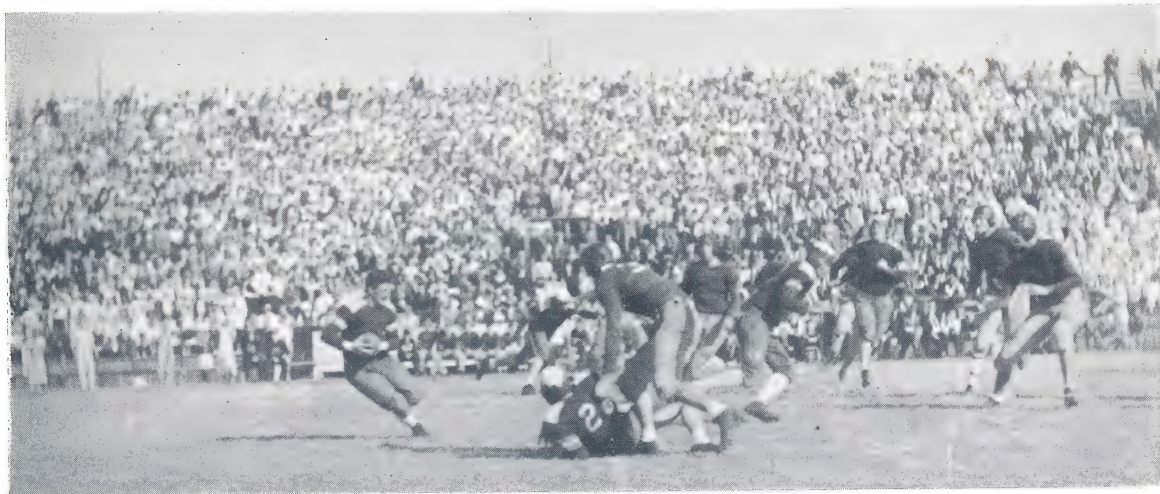


*Smith tries for a goal
against A. & M. . . .
This "Farmer" went
down . . . Ames takes
one out for "Shorty"
. . . The beginning of
one of those "Oslin
makes another—" . . .
A Gentleman takes a
Farmer for a ride . . .
Oslin tries his hand at
blocking as Smith
handles the ball.*



This Mustang didn't catch Shorty . . . But Shorty mounts "Peruna" after the victory . . . A capacity crowd looks on . . . All-American Geisler takes the ball against S. M. U. . . . Manning gets off another good one from the danger zone.





This capacity crowd gets its money's worth—in one run.

GENT'S COMPLETE GRE

LOUISIANA NORMAL

Naturally exhibiting signs of nervousness and an early-season lack of smoothness, the Centenary grid-iron warriors defeated the Demons of Louisiana Normal, 18-0, in the first game of the 1933 season.

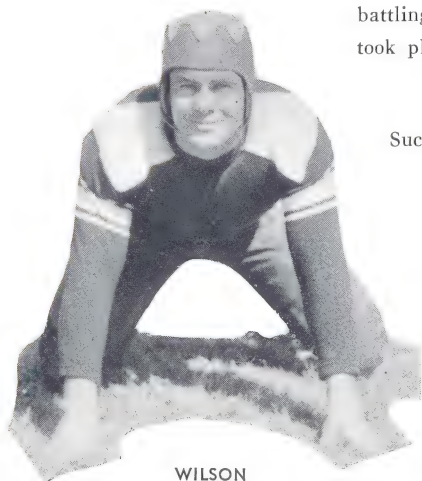
Confining their offense to straight, steady football and showing flashes of what later proved to be the most invincible defense in history of Centenary football, the Gents easily quelled whatever threats the "Demons" produced.

The burden of the offensive rested on the capable shoulders of the Gents' three big guns, Smith, Oslin, and Geisler, each scoring a touchdown, while standing out on defense were Baker, Harper, and Wilson.

HENDERSON

Going into their second game of the '33 season, the Gents displayed a decided improvement both on offense and defense, overwhelming their opponents from Arkansas, the Henderson State Teachers, by the score of 27-0.

The Gents showed a more varied attack than against Normal, gaining consistent yardage through the air and around the ends. Scoring two touchdowns apiece, Smith and Oslin proved to be Centenary's leading ground-gainers. Henderson, although battling valiantly, were decidedly outclassed and the play, for the most part took place in the Teachers' territory.



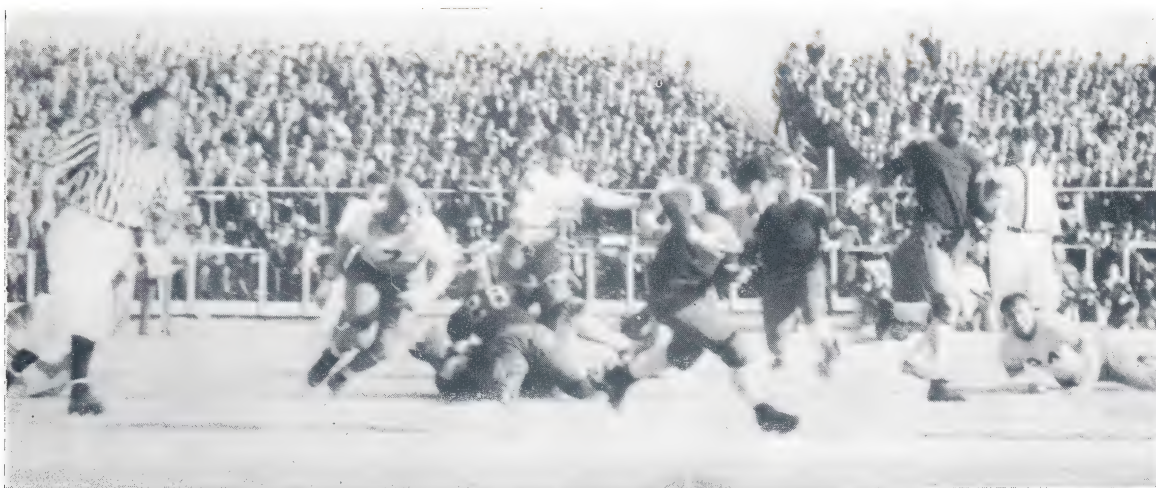
WILSON

BAYLOR

Successfully protecting their long record of uncrossed goal line, the Centenary Gents brought their old enemies, the Baylor Bears, down in defeat during the first major contest of the year, by the safe margin of three touchdowns.

The victory was written by the fleetness of Harold "Shorty" Oslin, the power driving of Geisler, and the craftiness of Smith, which together proved to be too much for the fighting Baylor Bears. Smith scored twice, as Oslin scored one touchdown.

Baylor showed a strong defense throughout the game, as well as a threatening offense, yet failed to produce an individual star.



Running, side-stepping, twisting, sprinting—Oslin.

AT SEASON FOR 1933

L. S. U.

Playing on foreign soil for the first time during the season, the Centenary Gents, supposedly the "under-dog," reached the highest pinnacle of excellence in every phase of football, when they played the ferocious "Tiger" of Louisiana State University to a scoreless draw at the mammoth L. S. U. stadium under the arc-lights.

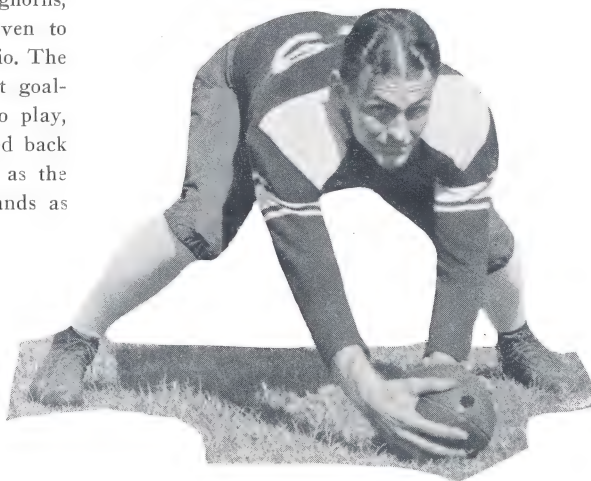
Both teams threatened to score at intervals throughout the game, but neither was able to put across the final drive. The battle consisted largely of a punting duel between Smith and Michael, with neither showing a decided advantage.

Probably the greatest individual defense ever before seen on a gridiron was displayed by Oslin. Time and again, the Gents' diminutive speed demon was the only obstacle between the hard-charging Tiger backs and the Gents' goal-line, yet not once did "Shorty" fail to come through successfully, giving a marvelous exhibition of defensive skill to approximately 20,000 tense and excited fans.

TEXAS U.

Immediately following their history-making epic against L. S. U., the Gents journeyed to the land of the Longhorns, where they played the strong Texas University eleven to another scoreless draw on the Texas field in San Antonio. The game was featured by what was perhaps the greatest goal-line stand in football. In the last few seconds left to play, the Gents, by virtue of an off-side penalty, were pushed back to the one yard stripe, first down, goal to go. Even as the final gun sounded, the crowd was gasping in the stands as a defensively superb "Gentleman" held off an enraged "Longhorn" a mere six inches from victory.

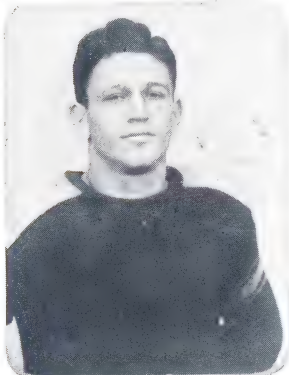
During the first half, the heart-breaking experience of having a touchdown called back due to an off-side presented itself, to throw a cog in an erstwhile smooth-working football machine. On an off-tackle play, Smith went over but was called back and the Gents were penalized for off-sides. The following attempt failed to score and the Gents lost what might be called their "golden opportunity."



AMES



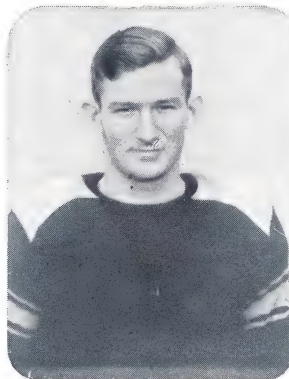
"Smitty" shows the boys from A. and M. how it's done—in preparation for his duties there next Fall on the coaching staff.



MORGAN



BLAKEMORE



WILLIAMS

T. C. U.

Although decisively outplaying their Texas opponents, the Gents were unable to put forth the extra punch for a score when, for the third consecutive time in three weeks, they played to a scoreless deadlock against the T. C. U. Frogs in the Fair Grounds stadium. Again, as in the Texas U. game, the Gents had a touchdown play called back, due to a penalty. Oslin, in the first quarter, got loose off-tackle and raced sixty-five yards to cross the Frog goal line and score the only touchdown of the game, which was ruled no-good due to holding. All throughout the game, the Gents demonstrated a superior brand of football, most of the game being played in the Frogs' territory. Smith, Centenary's great field-general, dominated the Gents' offensive, exhibiting a versatility of skill rarely found in one man. The scoreless tie again presenting itself in the Gents' camp was reason enough for the appropriate dedication, "You're gettin' to be a habit with me."

TEXAS A. & M.

Displaying a brilliant and much improved offensive as well as a stubborn defense, the Gents ran up the astounding score of 20-0 over the Texas Farmer.

Oslin again proved to be the individual star as he raced 74 yards through the entire A. & M. team, at one time and forty yards another to score touchdowns. Geisler scored the other touchdown, being on the receiving end of an almost impossible pass from Smith. It was just another case of too much of "The Three Musketeers," Oslin, Smith and Geisler.

The Aggies offered a scoring threat several times, but were soon stopped by the strong Gent defense.

UNION

With the first string eleven being retired to the security of the bench after the first quarter, the Centenary reserves romped to an easy 47-0 victory over Union University Bulldogs from Jackson, Tennessee.

The game was featured by a brilliant 77-yard jaunt by Orville Justus, a speedy reserve half, coming into the game for Oslin. Glumac and Sellers also showed up well, bearing the brunt of the Centenary offense during the latter part of the game. At no time were the Gents in serious danger, presenting a stubborn forward wall defense and a smoothly clicking offense.



SELLERS



BAKER

S. M. U.

Marching on toward another undefeated season, the Gents again came through with a 7-0 victory over the S. M. U. Mustangs.

Most of the game the teams seemed fairly well matched, but the superiority of Smith, Oslin, and Geisler constantly stood out. Oslin's nineteen-yard sprint was the only tally of the game.

S. M. U. presented a strong aerial attack, as expected, with Fuqua, local boy, on the receiving end of most passes.

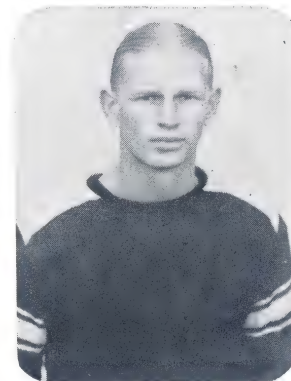
The defensive work of Stacks and Weidman in breaking up passes was outstanding.

Wilson, S. M. U. back, raced seventy yards for a touchdown early in the game, but was called back due to a penalty, which relieved the Gents followers very much.

A special feature of the game was the constant battle between two great ends, Fuqua and Geisler.



HARPER



WEIDMAN

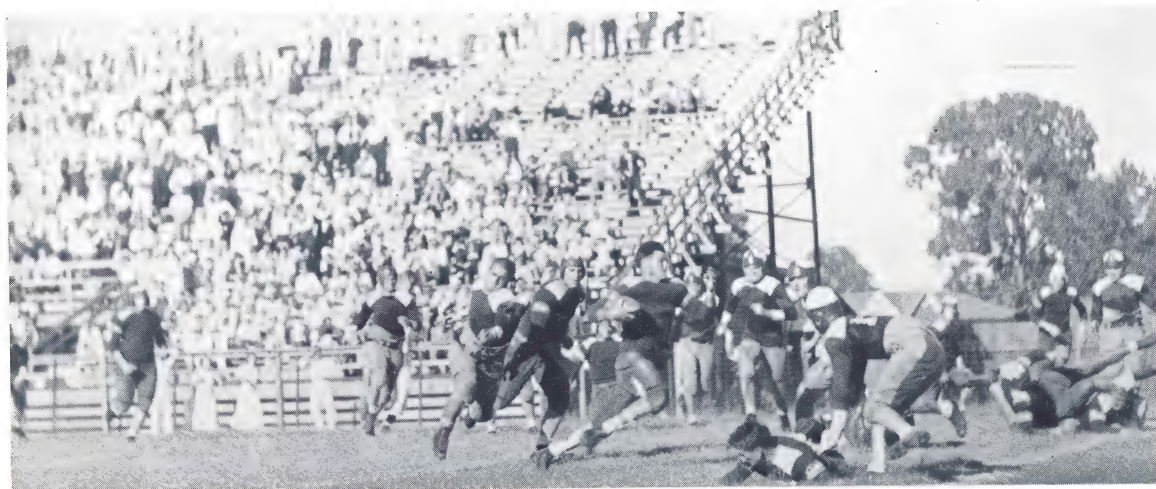


WATERS

MISSISSIPPI

A beautifully executed forward pass, well over the head of a defensive Centenary half, spelled doom to the truly great record of an uncrossed goal line in thirteen pigskin contests, when the Gents defeated the "Mudcats" of Mississippi by the slim margin of 7-6, played on alien territory in Jackson, Mississippi.

Ole Miss's score came in the beginning of the second quarter, a six-point lead that assumed mountainous proportions as the whistle blew for the half. Coming back in the second period, a different and inspired Centenary "Gentlemen" met the spinning intricacies of the Ole Miss Warner system. Displaying an extra drive and punch, the Gents launched a determined drive for the Mississippi goal line. With Smith, Oslin and Geisler, the mainstays of the Centenary offense, the Gents brought the ball from the 50-yard line to the Ole Miss 8-yard line. From here, an exchange behind the line, from Smith to Oslin, provided the necessary punch for a touchdown. From the accurate toe of Manning Smith came the extra point that won the ball game, 7-6.



All-American style for the benefit of Normal.



Weidman performs in his usual deadly manner.



PARKER



GUILLORY



BROWN

LOYOLA

Continuing their march to end the 1933 season in probably the most thrilling game of the year, the Gents walloped the Loyola "Wolverines" to the tune of 28-12. It was one of the greatest exhibitions of courage ever produced by the Gents.

Carrying on without Smith and Oslin, who were forced out early in the game with injuries, they continued to win praise and honors. Glumac and Geisler's great playing stood out for the Gents. Oslin returned later in the game to score again, running through the entire "Wolf" line.

The Wolves displayed the greatest offensive team sent against the Maroon and Whiter's during the season. Their line, as well as their backfield, was heavy and fast.

THE DIXIE CLASSIC—ARKANSAS

Climaxing their brilliant season with a 7-7 tie with the University of Arkansas, unofficial champions of the Southwestern Conference, the Gents finished their season for the second consecutive year undefeated.

Playing most of the battle without the service of their brilliant quarterback, Smith, the Gents fought a stubborn battle throughout the game.

Arkansas scored in the second quarter on a 27-yard pass, Murphy to Geiser, who stepped the remaining five yards to be one of the few who had crossed the Maroon and White goal line in twenty-one games.

The Gents soon came back to even the score. A 37-yard run by Oslin placed the ball well past mid-field. From here, the Gents' diminutive speed-demon again came through, taking a pass from Smith on Arkansas' 5-yard line and galloping across for a score.

Geisler proved to be an all-American, with his great defensive work, as well as with his powerful offensive drive. He was shifted to the backfield several times, and once got away for a 29-yard gain.

In the line, the work of Wilson, Baker, Binion, and Waters was outstanding.



BINION



STACKS

PROSPECTUS, 1934

Coach Curtis Parker probably faces the hardest task in major football in the 1934 season, coming into high command after two consecutive undefeated seasons and the graduation of ten lettermen.

The law of averages is bound to overtake the Gents. Men like Smith and Oslin in the backfield, and Morgan, Geisler, Brown, Waters, Wilson, Blakemore, Ames, and Young in the line, cannot be lost without the loss being felt severely. Each helped the morale and general attitude of the team

with their fighting spirit. Coaches Parker and Renfro seemed to be well pleased with the spring training and the general attitude of the club, but inexperience will probably be the greatest obstacle to overcome. One letter man returns at end, Stacks, who proved to be a great scrapper. The tackles are well taken care of by Baker, Binion, and Guillory. No guards will return and this seems to be one of the greatest worries to the coaches. At center, Williams returns, but the old injury to his knee makes the probability of his being counted on rather uncertain.

Backfield men to return are Weidman, Parker, Townson, Glumac, and Sellers. These are the letter-men. Other promising candidates for the '34 squad are: Ends—Serra, Parker, Puryear, Horak, Hooper; Tackles—Langley, Thompson, Decker, Waller, Prestidge, Riner; Guards—Holman, Haygood, Beard, Robinson, Johnson; Center—Frizzelle, Burgess, Stokes; Backs—Justus, Crowther, Stallcup, Burch, McCorkle, Mozach, Mitchell, Hancock, Green, Fulmer, Drennan and Webb.

The schedule for 1934:

Sept. 22—	Louisiana Normal	Shreveport
Sept. 29—	Henderson Hendrix	Shreveport
Oct. 6—	Oklahoma U.	Norman, Oklahoma
Oct. 13—	Texas A. and M.	Beaumont, Texas
Oct. 20—	Texas	Austin, Texas
Oct. 27—	T. C. U.	Shreveport
Nov. 3—	Ouachita	Shreveport
Nov. 10—	Tulsa U.	Tulsa, Oklahoma
Nov. 17—	Baylor	Shreveport
Nov. 24—	Ole Miss	Shreveport
Nov. 29—	Loyola	Shreveport



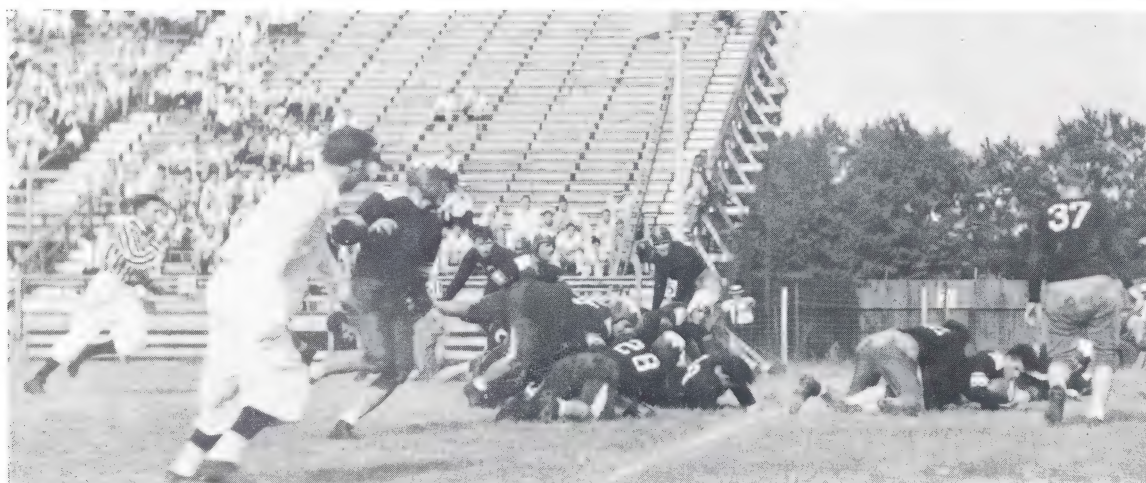
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YOUNG



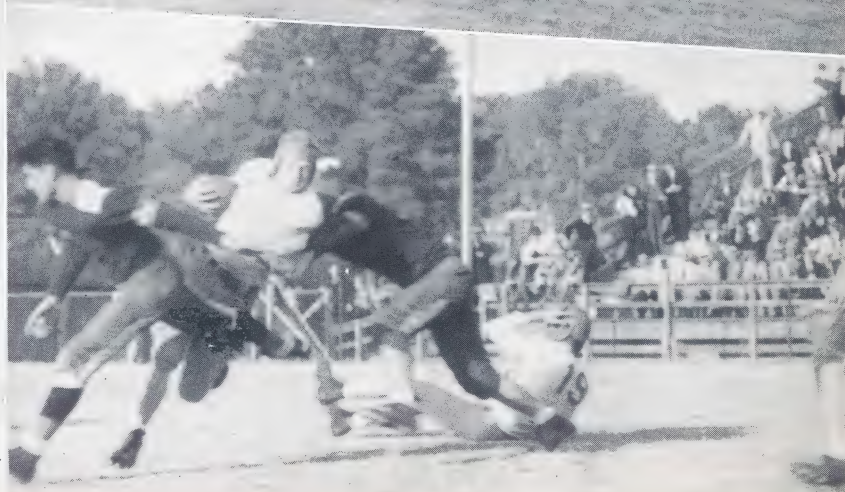
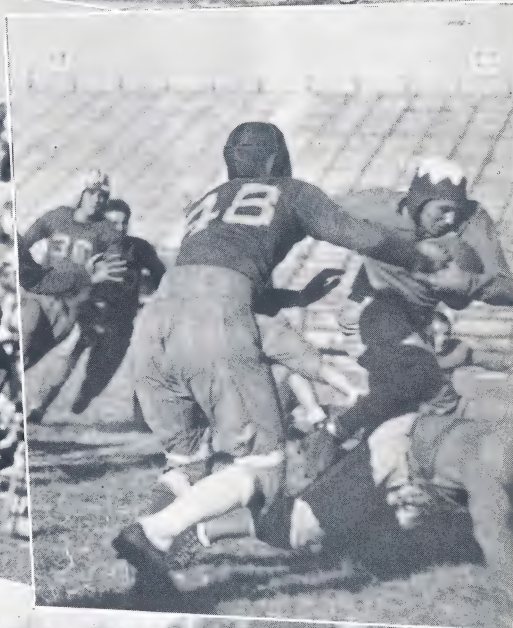
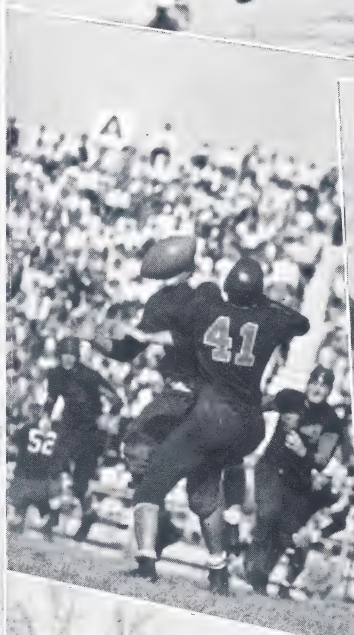
MARSALIS



Oslin makes five yards over Henderson's right guard.



S. M. U. makes a stop . . . It's a free ball in the Baylor game . . . Frosh Hancock rips through the Ouachita line as the Junior Gents put over a win . . . It takes three A. and M. Farmers to stop Smitty . . . Just another way of "bottling up a Mustang."



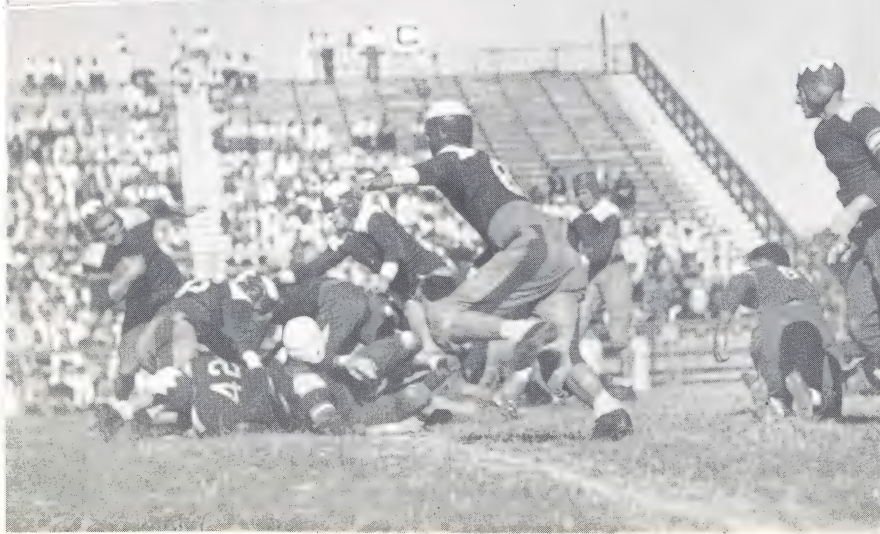
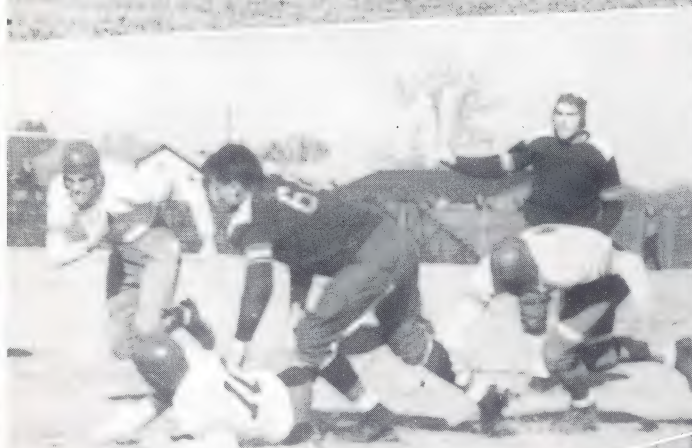


*"Hoss" scores against
 Normal . . . A
 "muffed" pass . . .
 Smith boots a high one
 . . . Manning shoots
 one of those long,
 deadly passes against
 T. C. U. . . . Ames and
 Baker take 'em out for
 Shorty against A. and
 M.*





Blakemore stands ready to take out A. and M. boys for Oslin . . . The well known "No. 60" in the Baylor game . . . The odds are 2 to 1 against this Gentleman . . . Shorty eludes another "would be" tackler . . . Hey! the ball carrier is up front!



A "scoop" in the Henderson game . . . "Hoss" goes for a "Farmer" of A. and M. as Baker looks on . . . "Boots" from Harlem . . . Oslin and Parker take off . . . Shorty starts on a sprint as the referee takes the hurdles . . . Smith wades through the Normal line.



TO THE RESERVES



Top: H. Johnson, Drennan, Pernici, Hickman, Serra
Center: Mathews, Beard
Bottom: Justus, Frizzell, Dyer, Webb, Crowther

Those who serve as reserves are often overlooked in a successful season, and even though some of them never know the joy of reward, their value cannot be overestimated. Their reward is in knowing that their efforts count greatly in producing an outstanding team. In fact, many of the Centenary luminaries received their training as reserves and later developed into outstanding and capable members of the varsity squad. Those who know what it takes to produce a championship team realize the value of those who are listed among the reserves. Too much praise cannot be heaped upon the shoulders of these loyal gentlemen who made possible the undefeated season of 1933.

The minds of the coaches rested better the past season, knowing that should any varsity man be lost to them a capable and willing reserve was ready to take his place. And the work of the varsity men was intensified by the fact that each regular knew a reserve was crowding him for his berth. The adage that "no team is stronger than its reserves" was certainly applicable to the 1933 undefeated Centenary team.



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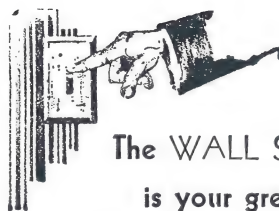
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